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1. ALL MAJOR TURKISH DAILIES MAY 28 REPORT NATO SUMMIT
MEETINGS TO BEGIN IN BRUSSELS MAY 29, WITH TURKISH PM
DEMIREL, FORMIN CAGLAYANGIL AND OTHER OFFICIALS ATTENDING.
REPORTEDLY DEMIREL WILL MEET WITH PRES. FORD TO DISCUSS
ARMS EMBARGO AND CYPRUS SITUATION.
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2. HEADLINES IN MAJOR PAPERS INCLUDE FOLLOWING: "SECOND BARGAINING WILL START IN BRUSSELS TOMORROW - AFTER KISSINGER, NOW FORD ENTERS RING" - IN HURRIYET (MASS CIRCULATION, POPULAR); "FIRST TIME IN HISTORY, EUROPE PREPARING TO CHALLENGE AMERICA - DEMIREL AND CARAMANLIS WILL MEET THIS AFTERNOON IN BRUSSELS - 'TURKEY WILL CLOSE DOWN VITALLY IMPORTANT AMERICAN BASES UNLESS THE EMBARGO IS LIFTED' SAID KISSINGER" - IN GUNAYDIN (MASS CIRCULATION, POPULAR); "DEMIREL-CARMANLIS SUMMIT WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY" - IN MILLIYET (LIBERAL-REFORMIST); "DEMIREL WILL MEET FORD AND CARAMANLIS - FINAL SOLUTIONS WILL BE SOUGHT TO ISSUES OF NATO: TURKISH-AMERICAN, TURKISH-GREEK RELATIONS AND CYPRUS IN THE BRUSSELS TALKS - BARGAINING STARTS IN NATO SUMMIT" - IN TERCUMAN (CONSERVATIVE).

3. CORRESPONDENT'S REPORT FROM BRUSSELS APPEARING IN HURRIYET DESCRIBES CLIMATE IN EUROPE BASED ON REPORTS FROM "POLITICAL OBSERVERS." THESE SOURCES SAY THE SOVIETS INCREASE THEIR STRENGTH IN THE NORTH AT THE SAME TIME THAT THE NATO SOUTHERN FLANK IS WEAKENING. THEY ALSO CLAIM A LACK OF TRUST AND A CERTAIN COLDNESS PREVAIL ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ATLANTIC AS A RESULT OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PRES. FORD, SECSTATE KISSINGER AND CONGRESS REINFORCED BY SECDEF SCHLESINGER'S HINTS THAT NATO COUNTRIES SHOULD TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES. THE HURRIYET CORRESPONDENT REPORTS THAT ALTHOUGH EUROPE CANNOT DEFEND ITSELF ALONE, IT IS DETERMINED TO CHALLENGE THE UNITED STATES. ADDITIONALLY "POLITICAL OBSERVERS" BELIEVE THAT FORD WILL SIDE WITH GREECE THIS TIME, TRYING TO HAVE TURKEY MAKE CONCESSIONS ON CYPRUS.

4. GUNAYDIN ALSO REPORTS THAT "POLITICAL OBSERVERS" SAY THAT FIVE DIFFICULT POINTS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE SUMMIT: (1) U.S. ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST TURKEY; (2) NATO-GREEK RELATIONS; (3) CYPRUS; (4) PORTUGAL; AND (5) EUROPEAN DESIRE TO LESSEN INFLUENCE OF AMERICAN-MADE ARMS ON NATIONAL ARSENALS.

5. GUNAYDIN ALSO REPORTS THAT SECSTATE KISSINGER TOLD CLOSE FRIENDS THAT TURKEY IS DETERMINED TO CLOSE DOWN VITALLY IMPORTANT AMERICAN BASES IN THIS COUNTRY UNLESS THE ARMS
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EMBARGO IMPOSED ON TURKEY BY THE UNITED STATES IS LIFTED.
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